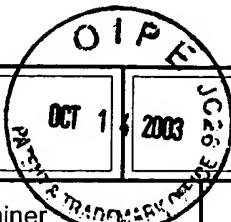


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 11, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

No extension of time or other fees are believed to be due, except as detailed in the attached documents. However, any extension of time necessary to prevent abandonment is hereby requested, and any fee necessary for consideration of this response is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account Number 50-1390.

Amendments to the Claims: reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks: begin on page 5 of this paper.